

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 2005-270-G - ORDER NO. 2006-3  
JANUARY 19, 2006

IN RE: Request for Investigation to Determine                    )  
Whether a Regulation Should Be Promulgated                    )  
Requiring Relocation of Certain Meter Sets of                    )  
Splash Guards on These Meter Sets.                                )

ORDER GRANTING  
ADMISSION PRO HAC  
VICE

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Application of James H. Jeffries, IV, Esquire, for admission to practice before the Commission *pro hac vice*. Mr. Jeffries petitions to appear before the Commission as counsel for Piedmont Natural Gas Company (Piedmont) in the hearing for Docket No. 2005-270-G regarding a request for investigation to determine whether a regulation should be promulgated to require the relocation of certain meter sets or installation of splash guards on these meter sets. The hearing on this matter is scheduled to be heard on January 19, 2006.

Jeffries is an attorney and member of the law firm of Moore & Van Allen, PLLC located at 100 North Tryon Street, Suite 4700, Charlotte, North Carolina and is a member in good standing of the bar of North Carolina, according to the certificate attached to the application. Additionally, Mr. Jeffries has included an affirmation that he will comply with the applicable statutes, law and rules of the State of South Carolina, that he is familiar with and will comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct,

and that he will submit to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and Commission on Lawyer Conduct.

Local counsel of record associated with Mr. Jeffries is Kerry McTigue of Nelson, Mullins, Riley & Scarborough, LLP, 1300 Main Street, Suite 1700, Columbia, South Carolina.

It appears to this Commission that the proper *pro hac vice* application of James H. Jeffries, IV has been filed with the South Carolina Supreme Court and that the necessary affirmation has been made. The Deputy Clerk for Bar Admissions has certified receipt of the filing and that the filing fee has been paid. We believe that Mr. Jeffries meets the qualifications for admission to practice before the Commission at the hearing in Docket No. 2005-270-G *pro hac vice* and that he should be so admitted.

**FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

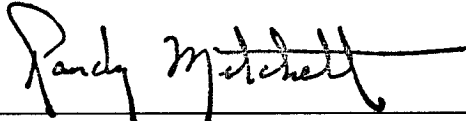
1. James H. Jeffries, IV, Esquire, is a member in good standing of the State of North Carolina bar, and James H. Jeffries, IV, has moved for his *pro hac vice* admission to practice before the Commission at the hearing on Docket No. 2005-270-G.
2. Proper application has been filed, the filing fee has been paid, and the necessary affirmation has been made, as required by SCACR 404.
3. Mr. Jeffries has associated South Carolina counsel.
4. The Application for *pro hac vice* admission in this proceeding should be granted.

**ORDER**

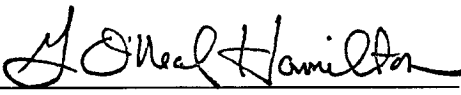
The Application of James H. Jeffries, IV, Esquire, for *pro hac vice* admission to practice before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina at the hearing for Docket No. 2005-270-G is granted.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
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Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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